

## **APPLICANT'S ARGUMENTS/REMARKS**

Claims 1 to 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, and 17 are pending. Claims 1 to 6, 8, 10, 12, and 14 are currently amended. Claims 7, 9, 11, 13, and 15 are canceled. Claims 16 and 17 are new.

The claims of the present application stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112 for various reasons. In light of the foregoing amendments to the claims, the Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the §112 rejections.

Respectfully submitted,

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